COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF MOCKINGBIRD VALLEY

SANITATION FOR A RATE ADJUSTMENT PURSUANT) CASE NO.

TO THE ALTERNATIVE RATE FILING PROCEDURE) 89-302

FOR SMALL UTILITIES

ORDER

On October 19, 1989, Mockingbird Valley Sanitation, Inc. ("Mockingbird") filed an application with the Commission seeking to increase its rates pursuant to the Alternative Rate Filing Procedure for Small Utilities. The proposed rates for sewer service would generate additional annual revenues of \$4,858, an increase of 82.4 percent over test-period adjusted revenues from rates of \$5,894. After Mockingbird was notified by Commission Staff of certain filing deficiencies, the deficiencies were cured and minimum filing requirements met on November 7, 1989. In its application, Mockingbird requested a deviation from the requirement of filing its 1988 income tax returns. By Order dated November 16, 1989, the Commission denied the deviation.

As Mockingbird requested the assistance of Commission Staff in preparing its application, Staff's field review of Mockingbird's test-period financial records was conducted in September of 1989, prior to the filing of the application. Based upon this review, Staff issued its report on December 6, 1989, recommending that the rates proposed by Mockingbird be accepted.

By letter dated December 22, 1989, all parties were advised to file comments on the Staff Report or request a hearing no later than January 6, 1990, or the case would stand submitted to the Commission for decision. Mockingbird filed no such comments nor did it request a hearing.

Parties granted full intervention in this proceeding were the Concerned Residents of Mockingbird Valley Subdivision ("Concerned Residents") and Hudson Lee Bailey. After review of information supplied by Mockingbird in response to a data request, the Concerned Residents withdrew their objection to the Staff Report filed herein and withdrew their motion for an informal conference and hearing. Hudson Lee Bailey, whose request for a hearing had been held in abeyance, was notified by the Commission on March 6, 1990 that if he still wished a hearing to be held in this matter he must notify the Commission in writing no later than March 15, 1990 or Staff would recommend that the case stand submitted on the record. Mr. Bailey did not so notify the Commission.

The Commission, having considered the evidence of record and being otherwise sufficiently advised, finds:

- 1. The recommendations and findings contained in the Staff Report are supported by the evidence of record, are reasonable, and are hereby adopted as the findings of the Commission in this proceeding and are incorporated by reference as if fully set out herein.
- 2. The rates in Appendix A, attached hereto and incorporated herein, are the fair, just, and reasonable rates for

Mockingbird and will produce gross annual revenues of \$10,752. These rates will allow Mockingbird sufficient revenue to meet its operating expenses and provide for future equity growth.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. The rates proposed by Mockingbird and contained in Appendix A are approved for service rendered by Mockingbird on and after the date of this Order.
- 2. Within 30 days of the date of this Order, Mockingbird shall file with the Commission its revised tariff setting out the rates approved herein.
- 3. Intervenor Hudson Lee Bailey's request for a hearing in this matter is denied.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 3rd day of April, 1990.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman

Vice Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 89-302 DATED 4/03/90

The following rates and charges are prescribed for customers of Mockingbird Valley Sanitation, Inc. All other rates and charges not specifically set forth herein shall remain the same as those in effect under authority of the Commission prior to the effective date of this Order.

Flat Monthly Rate

\$28.00